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SUBJECT: INDIAN OCEAN TASK FORCE

PRESS ATTENTION HERE IS HIGH BUT NO EDITORIAL COMMENT THUS FAR ON USS HANCOCK AND ACCOMPANYING SHIPS MOVEMENT INTO INDIAN OCEAN. NEVERTHELESS, HEADLINES GIVE SOME FLAVOR OF PRESS ATTITUDE: "LATEST US GUNBOAT DIPLOMACY", "FUTILE US BID TO EXPLAIN MOVE ON TASK FORCE", "US FLEET LIKELY TO STAY ON IN INDIAN OCEAN". GOI PRESS SPOKESMAN OCTOBER 30 DECLINED ALL OFFICIAL COMMENT OTHER THAN THAT INDIAN GOVERNMENT IS STUDYING IMPLICATIONS OF CARRIER TASK FORCE MOVE. PRESS SPECULATION ON TASK FORCE, DRAWING LARGELY FROM DOD BRIEFING IN WASHINGTON AND US PRESS LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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STORIES, FOCUSES ON POSSIBLE MOVEMENT TO PERSIAN GULF

TO BRING PRESSURE ON SMALLER SHEIKDOMS OR AS "ANTI-SOVIET" MOVE LINKED TO SUSPENSION OF CONSIDERATION OF MFN FOR SOVIETS IN US. THUS FAR NO ANTI-INDIAN IMPLICATIONS BEING READ INTO SITUATION.

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